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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

- v. -

MICHAEL HOGUE,

Defendant.

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13 Cr. 12 (PKC)

ORDER

CASTEL, District Judge:

Mr. Hogue has entered a plea of guilty to two counts of a felony information charging him with the crimes of computer hacking and distribution of malware. His bail conditions contain a restriction on his use of computers for other than school use. He now awaits sentencing.

The present bail modification application is to permit him to travel to an employment interview for a position as a software engineer. It is imprudent at this juncture to allow a person who has admitted to computer hacking and distribution of malware to travel to interview for a position as a software engineer without knowing quite a bit more, including whether he has disclosed to the prospective employer the nature of the crimes to which he has pled guilty and the possible sentence he faces.

On multiple occasions, this Court has granted the defendant's applications to modify his bail conditions to permit him to travel for specific purposes. (Docket Nos. 19, 22, 24, 25 and 26.) Through the fault of no other person, the Court did not link the bail modification request with the precise nature of the crimes to which the defendant has entered a plea of guilty.

The present application, dated April 10, 2014, is DENIED.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: New York, New York
April 10, 2014

P. Kevin Castel
United States District Judge